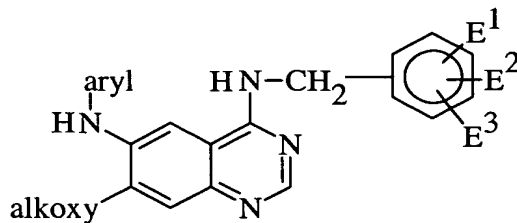


ABSTRACT

5 Erb inhibitors used in combination with retinoids are effective to prevent skin injury otherwise caused by retinoids alone. A method of treating skin aging and similar skin disorders comprises administering retinoids in combination with erb inhibitors of the general formula



where E¹, E², and E³ include halo, aryl is an alkylcarbonyl or alkenylcarbonyl, and alkoxy is lower alkoxy optionally substituted with amino groups.